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Workers' Compensation Commission

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PUBLICATION OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS

The South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission has published and posted on its website proposed regulations to the Workers' Compensation Act.

The proposed regulations were necessitated by the passage of Act 111 and published in the November 26, 2008 edition of the State Register. Changes and additions include requirements for electronic submission of forms, process and procedural changes regarding the filing of the Annual Minor Medical Report and the filing of the Attorney Fee Petition. Regulations were also drafted to define the role of rehabilitation professionals and their duties to employer and employees with consideration to applicable standards of care. In addition, timely communication between a health care provider, insurance carrier, employer and employee is defined. Please see the link provided on the Commission website for a complete copy of the proposed regulations.

A public hearing has been scheduled for January 5, 2009, at 10:00 am in the Hearing Room at the Commission. Comments on the proposed regulations also can be submitted to Janet Godfrey Griggs, General Counsel, South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission, Post Office Box 1715, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-1715. After review and consideration of all comments received, the proposed regulations will be submitted for legislative review.

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